



Georgia Daniel Field

Facility and Location

Daniel Field was built in the same location as the Spanish-American War site known as Camp MacKenzie and World War I site, Camp Hancock. Based on historical documents, Daniel Field was smaller than those two sites, but did include one rifle range associated with Camp MacKenzie. The Inventory Project Report identified 633 acres of Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS) property. One field history states that by the end of 1943 the field consisted of the 182 acre airfield, a cantonment area of 254 acres, a 183 acre training area, a 1,245 acre rifle range, and a seven acre radio transmission site. The range was built west of the airfield and a map identifies the range as containing 1,184 acres.

The dedudding certificate attached to the Declaration of Surplus form for the airfield noted a 25 acre rifle range on which .30 caliber ammunition was fired. Other types of training noted on an inspection of troops stationed at Daniel Field included Thompson Sub-Machine Gun, grenades, destruction of material, .50 caliber machine gun training, rocket and grenade launchers, mines, and booby traps. However, there are no details about whether this was classroom training or field training and location information is not available.

Daniel Field was originally organized as a base to train tactical units. That mission continued until June 1942 when the base mission was changed to that of a replacement depot. While serving as a replacement depot, 32 chemical companies were activated, equipped, and/or trained for conventional duty at Daniel Field. Flying activity at Daniel Field after October 1942 consisted mainly of transient aircraft. The airdrome facilities at Daniel Field were utilized as an auxiliary field for the Basic Flying School at Bush Field in August. On January 1, 1945, as World War II was beginning its fourth year, Daniel Field was placed on standby status. In 1947, Daniel Field Military Reservation was reported excess.

Media Sampled and Findings

Surface Water — In 2008, two of two samples detected perchlorate at 0.12 and 0.15 ppb.

Appropriate Actions

Not Applicable. All samples were below the EPA and DoD Preliminary Remediation Goal of 15 ppb.